

**REMARKS**

Claims 1, 3-11, and 21-27 are pending. These claims have been allowed by the Examiner.

Claims 1, 4, and 22 are amended above. These amendments are merely editorial in nature, being made for purposes of clarification and improving grammar. Applicants submit that the amendments do not substantively change the scope of the claims and, thus, do not add any new matter. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to issue a Notice of Allowance in this application.

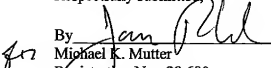
**CONCLUSION**

Should the Examiner believe that any outstanding matters remain in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Jason W. Rhodes (Reg. No. 47,305) at the telephone number of the undersigned to discuss the present application in an effort to expedite prosecution.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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